



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No.	. :	10/650,118	Confirmation No.
Applicant	:	Arasmith	
Filed	:	August 26, 2003	
Title	:	WOOD-REDUCING APPARATUS WITH CONTINUAL FEEDER ASSEMBLY	
Art Unit	:		
Examiner	:		
Docket No.	:	043505-262883	
Customer No		00826	November 12 2003

Technology Center 3700 Special Program Examiner Commissioner for Patents Post Office Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(c)

The Applicant hereby petitions the Office to make this application special pursuant to the Advancement of Examination procedures set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(c) on the grounds that the applicant is over 65 years of age. In support of this Petition, an Affidavit signed by the applicant declaring his age is attached, along with a photocopy of his driver's license.

Having satisfied the requirements for the Advancement of Examination as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d) and MPEP 708.02, the Applicant hereby seeks accelerated examination of this patent application.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any required fee for this petition, or credit any refund, to our Deposit Account No. 16-0605.

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Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first-class mail in an envelope addressed to **Technology Center 3700**, **Special Program Examiner**, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450, on this, the day of November, 2003.

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AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT OF PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(c)

Sir:

I, STANLEY D. ARASMITH, hereby declare that I am the sole applicant for the above-identified patent application filed August 26, 2003, Application No. 10/650,118, and that I am 65 years old or older. I hereby petition the Office to make this application special pursuant to the Advancement of Examination procedures set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(c).

I declare that all statements made herein are true and based upon my own knowledge, and that all statements made upon information and belief are believed to be true. All statements herein were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like, so made, are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements if made may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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